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In re application of:)
CASTELLINI)Examiner:)
Srivastava, K.C.)

Serial No.: 10/004,591)

Art Unit:)
1651)

Filed: 12/04/2001)

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR)
DETECTING BIOFILM IN THE)
WATER CONDUITS OF DENTAL)
UNITS)OFFICIAL
(1 PAGE ONLY)Attorney Docket No.:)
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February 7, 2003

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

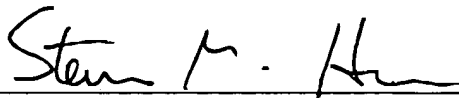
Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement issued January 8, 2003, the applicant hereby elect to prosecute the claims of:

Group I, claims 1-29 drawn to an apparatus.

An action on the merits of these claims is respectfully requested at the earliest possible date.

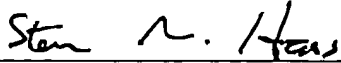
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